100 BLACK MEN

OF WEST TENNESSEE, INC.

June 15, 2011

Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Commissioners:

The mission of the 100 Black Men of West Tennessee is to improve the quality of life within our community and enhance educational and economic opportunities for all African Americans. We seek to serve as a beacon of leadership by utilizing our diverse talents to create environments where our children are motivated to achieve, and to empower our people to become self-sufficient shareholders in the economic and social fabric of the communities we serve.

As our national chairman, Albert E. Dotson, Jr., recently noted, "{a}s AT&T works with T-Mobile to extend its network...we anticipate opportunities arising for minority suppliers, vendors, community partners, and for mobile content and application developers." We believe the proposed merger between AT&T and T-Mobile would improve the quality of life for African Americans in West Tennessee, particularly in rural areas.

This agreement provides the promise of better service and greater access to high-speed wireless internet services for all Tennesseans. African Americans looking to participate more fully in the digital age will have a chance to connect with others and with new resources at previously unimagined rates. As we move closer toward President Obama's goal to provide every American with high-speed broadband, this merger will better integrate West Tennessee consumers into the folds of competition and innovation that drive one of the most vibrant industries in the world, with attractive pricing and an ever-growing range of products and services.

We support America's landscape after the AT&T-T-Mobile deal, and I ask that you support the proposed merger between AT&T and T-Mobile when it comes before the commission.

Sincerely,

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President of the 100 Black Men of West Tennessee, Inc.

cc: Board of Directors

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